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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 11, 2005. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond and the required fees are submitted herewith. In the event that any other extension or additional fees are due to have this Amendment and Response considered, this is a conditional petition for such extension, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.